

IN THE CLAIMS

The claims in the listing will replace all prior claims in the application.

(1) (Currently Amended) An accessory for shoelaces ~~comprising three model combinations:~~

~~(a) model #1 comprising in combination,~~

a two piece shoelace cover for one shoe;

an aperture in each said piece of said cover;

a first attachment means attached to each said piece of said cover;

a second attachment attached means to each said piece of said cover;

a third attachment means attached to said shoe; ~~and~~

~~(b) model #2 an optional means comprising in combination;~~

a two piece shoelace cover for one shoe;

an aperture in each said piece of said cover;

a first attachment means for each said piece of said cover; and

~~(c) model #3 comprising in combination,~~

~~a one piece shoelace cover for one shoe,~~

~~an aperture in both sides of said cover,~~

~~a first attachment means in both sides of said cover; and~~

said ~~three models each~~ cu accessories have their own individual sequence of installation so as ~~each selected model to~~ provide ~~the same~~ a safety means by encapsulating the bow and tied shoelace end for each of the styles so the person wearing said

shoe style will not trip and fall while ~~each said model~~ said accessories prevents said shoe lace from becoming untied thereby creating a convenient safety factor for said shoe wearer while ~~each said model is~~ said accessories are made of a soft flexible material such as cloth, plastic or the like, and is attachable to any style shoe, said styles color coordinate to match any shoe such as a dress shoe or a sports shoe such as a running shoe wherein said covers for said running shoe may of a material having a glow in the dark accent to help protect runners; further, ~~an option, within said invention, is for~~ a manufacturer of said shoe ~~to~~ may select ~~one or all of said models,~~ said accessories and manufacture said model, the present invention and add said model directly to said manufacture's line of shoes.

(2) (Currently Amended) The invention as claimed in claim 1 wherein said two piece cover, ~~in model #1,~~ is of a left and right side design for said one shoe; said aperture is located at the front end of each said piece so as to accept and retain said shoelace; said first attachment means for each said piece provides a male and a female two piece means which when mated together provide said encapsulation means for said eye and said tied shoelace end for each said piece; said second attachment means being the female portion of said cover said portion aligns and mates to said shoe male snap thereby providing said means for said cover to be attached to said shoe; and a third attachment means, being the male portion of said snap means is permanently attached to said shoe wherein said male snap aligns with said female snap on said cover end thereby securing said shoe to said cover while both sides of said shoe have the same cover arrangement which thereby provide a sequence of installation for both said covers.

(3) (Currently Amended) The invention as claimed in claim 1 wherein said two piece cover, ~~in model #2,~~ is of a left and right side design for said one shoe, said aperture is located at the front end of each said piece so as to accept and retain said shoelace; said first attachment means ~~in said model #2~~ being a "U" shaped clip, preferably plastic, which when said cover is folded over said edge of said shoe said clip presses down over said cover and said shoe edge thereby retaining said cover to said shoe while both sides of said shoe have the same cover arrangement which thereby provide a sequence of installation for both said covers.

(4) (Currently Amended) The invention as claimed in claim 1, ~~wherein said~~ further including a one piece cover, in model #3, which folds down into said shoe itself whereby the arch and weight of the person's foot holds said ~~model #3~~ cover in place while said apertures in both said sides of said cover are located at the front end so as to accept and retain said shoelace said first attachment means for said cover is provided on both sides of said cover

wherein a male and a female two piece snap means, which when mated together, said first attachment means provides said encapsulation means for said eye and said tied shoelace ends for both sides of said cover thereby creating a sequence of installation for said single piece cover.

(5) (Currently Amended) The invention as claimed in claim 1 wherein ~~all three models provide the same~~ said accessory provides an aperture means; an encapsulation system for said shoelaces on said shoes and a means so as to attach said covers to said shoes.

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(8) (Currently Amended) The invention as claimed in claim 1 wherein ~~all three models provide~~ said accessory provides the same safety means for the shoe wearer wherein said laces will not come untied thereby creating a safety factor so said wearer will not trip and fall.

(9) (Currently Amended) The invention as claimed in claim 1 wherein said covers ~~in all said models is~~ are made of a soft flexible material, such as cloth, plastic or the like, said cover material being capable of flexibly folding so as to provide said encapsulation means.

(10) (Currently Amended) The invention as claimed in claim 1 wherein all said ~~model~~ covers have color styles so as to coordinate and match any shoe while said covers are attachable to any shoe.

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(12) The invention as claimed in claim 1 wherein said ~~cover, in all said models, is~~ are preferably designed so as to coordinate with any dress shoe, any sports shoe and any running shoe, said covers are made of a material so as to create a glow in the dark factor thereby creating safety to help protect runners.

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